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May 20, 1964

Captain W. P. Gannaway
Special Service Bureau
Dallas Police Department

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD (1)

Sir:

The following information was received from Confidential Informant T-1.

On November 22, 1963 J. E. CURRY, Chief of Police, Dallas, Texas appeared on a television broadcast and made a statement to the effect that agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation had prior information and knowledge regarding the SUBJECT, and that the SUBJECT was a communist. The source reported that shortly after this appearance, GORDON SHANKLIN, the Senior Agent in Charge of the Dallas office of the FBI, received instructions from his superior in Washington, D. C., to obtain a retraction of the above statement from Chief J. E. CURRY. GORDON SHANKLIN was told that if he did not obtain this retraction, he would be terminated from the Bureau. Mr. SHANKLIN visited Chief J. E. CURRY and the following news release was made; Chief CURRY stated that to 'his own personal knowledge, the F B I did not have any previous information regarding Lee Harvey Oswald nor about Oswald being a communist'.

Respectfully submitted,

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EVALUATION: T-1 is believed to be reliable.

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